

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, once again, we find ourselves in an unguided, misguided debate about the fundamental concept of our nation of immigrants. We find ourselves in a debate trying to deny what we really are, a nation of immigrants.

Mr. Speaker, let me remind you, on average, TPS holders have lived in the United States for over 22 years—many of them hailing from Latin American countries. Redesignating and designating TPS would be a wise thing for over 2 million people already residing in the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker, in addition, families often have to wait decades before they reunite with their family members; sometimes four decades, three decades, before they reunite with their children.

Mr. Speaker, 4 million people are waiting to reunite with their families. United families are stronger. United families make America stronger. Let's unite the families. That is a family value. Unity of the family is a family value that we must protect.

Mr. Speaker, we are a nation of immigrants.

EULOGY FOR FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, April is Financial Literacy Month, the perfect time to remind Americans just how financially irresponsible Democrats are. Democrats have used the pocketbooks of hardworking Americans to fund a multitrillion-dollar spending spree and now have the audacity to deny responsibility for the inflation crisis. This includes extending the student loan repayment moratorium three times, costing taxpayers over \$150 billion.

Democrats are financially irresponsible and are dragging student borrowers along with them. In January, the administration announced it would no longer require borrowers to sign an online acknowledgment about their total student debt each year before taking out additional loans. We should make it easier for student borrowers to understand the gravity of taking out tens of thousands of dollars in student loan debt, not hiding it from them.

Mr. Speaker, Democrats' policies don't promote financial literacy, they promote financial illiteracy.

HONORING YARELIS HERNANDEZ

(Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the accomplishments of an engineer from my district.

Yarelis Hernandez of Clinton was recently recognized by the National Association of Manufacturers with the Women in Manufacturing STEP Ahead Awards. This award is awarded to

women who have demonstrated exceptional leadership in the manufacturing field.

Diversity is a passion of Yarelis' as she serves on LyondellBasell's Diversity, Equity, and Leadership Council striving to implement diversity in the workforce.

In the community, Yarelis also sits on the local economic board leading development between schools and corporations to create jobs for Iowa students. Yarelis volunteers in the local Introduce a Girl to Engineering program, which is a mentorship for girls interested in STEM careers.

Yarelis' dedication to promoting diversity and STEM for young girls is why she is worthy of receiving such a prestigious award. I am so proud to represent distinguished women like Yarelis and cannot wait to see her continued impact in the district.

PRAYERS FOR OFFICER DREW BARR

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, the Midlands of South Carolina were shocked to learn of the shooting death Sunday of Cayce police officer, Andrew "Drew" Barr, age 27.

Killed in the line of duty, Officer Barr was a brave, dedicated public servant, who will always be cherished as a champion for law and order.

Officer Barr was familiar with danger. Shortly after graduating from the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy in 2017, he and another Cayce police officer were shot during an incident that involved a car chase and foot pursuit. They were awarded medals for bravery.

"Our hearts are breaking in Cayce. Officer Drew Barr has been an important part of the Cayce family since 2016," heralded by Cayce Mayor Elise Partin.

"Officer Barr gave the ultimate sacrifice for us to make us safe," confirmed by Cayce Police Chief Chris Cowan.

Cayce is fortunate to have Mayor Partin, Chief Cowan, and a law-enforcement-experienced councilman, Tim James.

Our prayers for the family of Texas National Guardsman Bishop Evans, who is a hero for trying to protect the drug-infested southern border.

God bless Ukraine. God bless Volodymyr Zelenskyy.

PRESIDENT ULYSSES S. GRANT 200TH BIRTHDAY

(Mr. WENSTRUP asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WENSTRUP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 200th birthday of our 18th United States President, Ulysses S. Grant.

President Grant was born in Point Pleasant, located in Clermont County in Ohio's Second Congressional District. When Ulysses was a child, the Grant family moved to Brown County, also in Ohio's Second District, and there he was educated before accepting a nomination to the United States Military Academy at West Point.

Following his commissioning, Grant served in the Mexican-American War, and most notably, the Civil War, where he became Commanding General of the United States Army in 1864.

General Grant oversaw the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox Court House and served as Commanding General of the Army until he was elected President in 1868. He served two terms as President, overseeing the beginning of the Reconstruction Era in the United States.

President Grant is the General who "saved the Union." He was a great leader who left his mark in American history. We should all seek to follow his example and leadership.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to have President Grant's birthplace in Ohio's Second Congressional District, a true landmark of our Nation's history.

IN HONOR OF NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

(Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of Florida's 20th Congressional District to recognize the necessary work of the National Infertility Association in honor of National Infertility Awareness Week. This week brings together millions of Americans who want to remove the stigma and the barriers that stand in the way of building families.

Mr. Speaker, one in eight couples have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining pregnancies, and many more people face barriers to building a family. Through national media, social media, and fundraising, the infertility community will take action to increase awareness of infertility in order to remove stigmas and improve access to healthy family-building options.

Mr. Speaker, I hope we do the same thing for infertility issues like we did for the Affordable Insulin Act.

TSA MASK MANDATE

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, last week, U.S. District Judge Kathryn Mizelle voided President Biden and the CDC's overbearing and unnecessary mask mandate for airplanes and public transportation.

After the announcement, I saw many videos online of many flyers and flight attendants joyously ripping off their masks to celebrate. I had urged, along

with many other colleagues in a couple of different letters to the President, to allow the mask mandate to expire a few months ago. So finally, I was relieved and pleased to hear of this announcement by the judge.

Our celebration was short-lived, however, as the Biden administration soon announced they would sue to try to repeal the judge's ruling and force back in place mask mandates for people traveling.

Science has repeatedly found that the masks are not nearly as effective at preventing the spread of COVID as they previously had thought. It really boils down to that government likes controlling people with this. They like scaring them. They like putting them in a box and saying, If you don't do this, you might die.

People, if they are forced into having mask mandates on public transportation once again, there is going to be a lot of anger coming out that no mid-terms or nothing else will save if they force this onto us.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2022

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 6445) to amend the Small Business Act to require an annual report on entrepreneurial development programs, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 6445

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Small Business Development Centers Improvement Act of 2022".

SEC. 2. ANNUAL REPORT ON ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.

Section 10 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 639) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(i) ANNUAL REPORT ON ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.—

“(1) REPORT REQUIRED.—The Administrator shall include in the comprehensive annual report required under subsection (a) the following data:

“(A) A list of all entrepreneurial development activities undertaken during the fiscal year preceding the date of the report through a covered program, including—

“(i) a description and operating details for each such covered program and the activities performed under each such covered program;

“(ii) operating circulars, manuals, and standard operating procedures for each such covered program;

“(iii) a description of the process used to make awards relating to the provision of entrepreneurial development activities under each such covered program;

“(iv) a list of all recipients of awards under each such covered program and the amount of each such award; and

“(v) a list of contractors, including the name and location of such contractor, of an award recipient.

“(B) The total amount of funding obligated for a covered program and the entrepreneurial development activities conducted under each such covered program for the fiscal year preceding the date of the report.

“(C) The names and titles of the individuals responsible for carrying out a covered program.

“(D) For entrepreneurial development activities undertaken during the fiscal year preceding the date of the report through the Small Business Development Center Program established under section 21 (in this section referred to as the ‘Program’)—

“(i) the number of individuals counseled or trained through the Program;

“(ii) the total number of hours of counseling and training services provided through the Program;

“(iii) the demographics of participants in the Program, which shall include the gender, race, and age of each such participant;

“(iv) the number of participants in the Program who are veterans;

“(v) the number of new businesses started by participants in the Program;

“(vi) to the extent practicable, the number of jobs supported, created, or retained with assistance from the Program;

“(vii) the amount of capital secured by participants in the Program, including through loans and equity investment;

“(viii) the number of participants in the Program receiving financial assistance, including the type and dollar amount, under a loan program of the Administration;

“(ix) an estimate of gross receipts, including to the extent practicable a description of any change in revenue, of small business concerns assisted through the Program;

“(x) the number of referrals of individuals to other resources and programs of the Administration;

“(xi) the results of satisfaction surveys of participants in the Program, including a summary of any comments received from such participants; and

“(xii) any recommendations by the Administrator to improve the delivery of services by the Program.

“(2) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

“(A) COVERED PROGRAM.—The term ‘covered program’ means a program authorized under section 7(j), 7(m), 8(a), 8(b)(1), 21, 22, 29, 32, or 34 of this Act.

“(B) ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY.—The term ‘entrepreneurial development activity’ means an activity related to the delivery of entrepreneurial development services, entrepreneurial education, or support for the development and maintenance of business training services carried out through a covered program.”.

SEC. 3. MARKETING OF SERVICES.

Section 21 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 648) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(o) NO PROHIBITION OF MARKETING OF SERVICES.—An applicant receiving a grant under this section may use up to 10 percent of their budget to market and advertise the services of such applicant to individuals and small business concerns.”.

SEC. 4. DATA COLLECTION BY THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER ASSOCIATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 21(a)(3)(A) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 648(a)(3)(A)) is amended—

(1) by striking “as provided in this section and” and inserting “as provided in this section,”; and

(2) by inserting before the period at the end the following: “, and (iv) governing data collection activities related to applicants receiving grants under this section”.

(b) ANNUAL REPORT ON DATA COLLECTION.—Section 21 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 648), as amended by section 3 of this Act, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

“(p) ANNUAL REPORT ON DATA COLLECTION.—The Administrator shall annually submit to the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate a report on any data collection activities related to the Small Business Development Center Program.”.

(c) WORKING GROUP TO IMPROVE DATA COLLECTION.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT AND STUDY.—The Administrator of the Small Business Administration shall establish a group to be known as the “Data Collection Working Group” consisting of entrepreneurial development grant recipients, the associations and organizations representing such recipients, and officials from the Small Business Administration, to carry out a study to determine the best methods for conducting data collection activities and create or revise existing systems dedicated to data collection.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than the end of the 180-day period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, the Data Collection Working Group shall issue a report to the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate containing the findings and determinations made in carrying out the study required under paragraph (1), including—

(A) recommendations for revising existing data collection practices for the Small Business Development Center Program; and

(B) a proposed plan for the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to implement such recommendations.

SEC. 5. FEES FROM PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS AND COSPONSORSHIPS.

Section 21(a)(3) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 648(a)(3)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(D) FEES FROM PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS AND COSPONSORSHIPS.—A small business development center that participates in a private partnership or cosponsorship, in which the Administrator or designee of the Administrator also participates, may collect fees or other income related to the operation of such private partnership or cosponsorship.”.

SEC. 6. EQUITY FOR SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS.

Subclause (I) of section 21(a)(4)(C)(v) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 648(a)(4)(C)(v)(I)) is amended to read as follows:

“(I) IN GENERAL.—Of the amounts made available in any fiscal year to carry out this section, not more than \$600,000 may be used by the Administration to pay expenses enumerated in subparagraphs (B) through (D) of section 20(a)(1).”.

SEC. 7. CONFIDENTIALITY REQUIREMENTS.

Section 21(a)(7)(A) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 648(a)(7)(A)) is amended—

(1) by striking “or telephone number” and inserting “, telephone number, or email address”; and